

## State Water Resources Control Board

September 19, 2017

(Via email and Certified Mail)

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**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION; UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM  
LOCATED AT ALVARADO FLOOD CONTROL PUMP STATION, 31269 VEASY  
STREET, UNION CITY**

Dear Mr. Belcher:

As part of an initiative by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to ensure compliance at government-owned and/or operated underground storage tank (UST) facilities in California, the State Water Board staff inspected the UST at your facility on September 12, 2017, pursuant to authority under Health and Safety Code (H&SC), chapter 6.7, section 25289.

The State Water Board has identified the following violations pursuant to H&SC, chapter 6.7, and California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 23, chapter 16:

No.	Violation	Tank	Start Date	Stop Date	Regulation
1	<b>Failure to Monitor Product Piping</b> – The conventional suction system is not able to detect a leak at the earliest opportunity. Due to the generator being located below the tank, the piping is sloped towards the generator room and not the tank. A sensor is needed in the trench located in the generator room to be able to detect a leak at the earliest opportunity possible.	Generator	September 12, 2017	Ongoing	23 CCR 2630(d), 2636(f)(1)

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2	<b>Failure to Install Monitoring Equipment According to Manufacturer's Instructions</b> – The Veeder Root annular sensor wire was spliced and the epoxy pack was not inside an explosion proof electrical box. Veeder Root requires all epoxy packs to be placed inside an explosion proof electrical box when installing or replacing a sensor.	Generator	September 12, 2017	Ongoing	23 CCR 2638(a)

**You are directed to correct the ongoing violations and submit compliance documentation to the State Water Board and Union City Environmental Program Division within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter. Have your Designated Operator make specific notations in the next monthly designated operator report indicating the ongoing violations have been corrected. The monthly designated operator report and any associated photos must be submitted as proof of compliance.**

Please send all compliance documentation to the following:

**State Water Board**

Mr. Joseph Lovesee  
UST Enforcement Unit  
Office of Enforcement  
State Water Resources Control Board  
801 K Street, Suite 2300  
Sacramento, California 95814  
[joseph.lovesee@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:joseph.lovesee@waterboards.ca.gov)

**Local CUPA**

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Pursuant to Health and Safety Code, chapter 6.7, section 25299, the owner and operator of the tank are liable for a penalty of \$500 to \$5,000 per tank, per day of violation. These penalties will continue to accrue until the violations have been corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5551, or by email at [amantha.henkel@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:amantha.henkel@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



Amantha Henkel  
Senior Environmental Scientist  
UST Enforcement Unit  
**Office of Enforcement**

cc: See next page.

cc: *(via email only)*

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